MINUTES OF THE SOUTH DAKOTA ANNUAL WEED & PEST CONTROL COMMISSION MEETING FEBRUARY 22, 2017 – 1:00 PM

Crossroads Hotel & Huron Event Center - Huron, SD

Chairman Lynn Deibert called the meeting to order at 1:06 pm, February 22, 2017.

Members Present: Commissioners Ron Thyen, Floyd Muntefering, Duane Buckmeier, Craig Magedanz, Lynn Diebert, Game Fish & Parks representative Paul Coughlin, SD Association of County Commissioners representative Neil VonEschen, and Commission Secretary Brenda Sievers.

Ex-Officio Members Present: SDSU representative Paul Johnson.

Also present are those listed on Exhibit #1.

Ron Thyen made a motion to approve the agenda (Exhibit #2). Seconded by Floyd Muntefering. Motion carried.

Chairman Deibert presented the Committee recommendations for funding the FY2018 Competitive Grants. The Committee met on January 5th in Pierre. The Committee consisted of Chairman Deibert, SD School and Public Lands Commissioner Ryan Brunner, Neil Von Eschen, Craig Magedanz, Tom Hedrick from Van Diest Supply, and Secretary of Agriculture Mike Jaspers. Chairman Deibert stated that a major factor in the committee's recommendation was if cost share was involved.

The Committee recommended funding the following Competitive Grants at a reduced amount:

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WP-C18-5 - Clay County - reduced by $5,700, not funding datalogger equipment
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WP-C18-16 - Douglas County - reduced by \$5,000, supplies seemed high

WP-C18-19 - Butte County - reduced by \$4,250, chemical cost share seemed high

WP-C18-27 - Meade County - reduced by \$2,737, need to leverage partners for more help

WP-C18-29 – Belle Fourche Watershed Project – reduced by \$5,000, final year to fund since been several years

The Committee recommended not funding the following Competitive Grants:

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WP-C18-2 – Sully County – Committee felt the Canada Thistle stem miners didn't work well ($10,219)
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WP-C18-17 – Douglas County – County could use regular grant to fund (\$100)

WP-C18-21 - Hyde County - No cost share involved (\$5,000)

WP-C18-22 – Fall River County – Not funding prairie dogs (\$10,000)

WP-C18-24 - Fall River County - Small land base, landowners need to participate (\$15,000)

WP-C18-25 - Fall River County - Small land base, no cost share (\$10,000)

WP-C18-26 – Meade County – High cost of control per acre (\$10,550)

WP-C18-30 - Black Hills Resource Conservation & Development Assn - No noxious weeds controlled (\$1,320)

The Committee recommended funding the following Competitive Grants:

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WP-C18-1 – Hughes County – $2,500
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WP-C18-3 – Association of SD County Weed & Pest Boards – \$2,500

WP-C18-4 - Association of SD County Weed & Pest Boards - \$45,000

WP-C18-5 - Clay County - \$27,360

WP-C18-6 - Pennington County - \$15,000

WP-C18-7 - Hamlin County - \$9,500

WP-C18-8 - Tripp County - \$1,500

WP-C18-9 - Deuel County - \$2,600

WP-C18-10 - Deuel County - \$11,250

WP-C18-11 - SDSU - \$47,000

WP-C18-12 - Missouri River Watershed Coalition - \$5,000

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WP-C18-13 – Jackson County - $15,000
WP-C18-14 – Jackson County - $20,000
WP-C18-15 – Douglas County - $8,000
WP-C18-16 – Douglas County - $5,000
WP-C18-18 – Douglas County - $4,000
WP-C18-19 – Butte County - $15,000
WP-C18-20 – Hyde County - $15,000
WP-C18-23 – Fall River County - $25,000
WP-C18-27 – Meade County - $2,738
WP-C18-28 – Meade County - $10,025
WP-C18-29 – Belle Fourche Watershed/Weed Mgmt Area - $20,000
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Chairman Deibert declared the meeting adjourned.

Brenda Sievers Commission Secretary

Lynn Deibert, Commission Chairman (Approved Minutes)